Tempe to host 11th annual Tour de Tempe Bike ride

More than 1,500 people are expected to participate in the 11th annual Tour de Tempe community bike ride beginning at 8:30 a.m. Oct. 22 at Kiwanis Park (All America Way, just north of Guadalupe Road). Registration is free and will begin at 6:30 a.m.

Tour de Tempe is a fun and leisurely, non-competitive ride that weaves through diverse neighborhoods, downtown Tempe, public art projects and other Tempe sites. During the 12-mile ride, participants will enjoy some of Arizona's most distinctive bikeways.

All riders will receive free breakfast snacks, and artist-designed T-shirts will be distributed to the first 800 registrants. Helmets are required and can be purchased the day of the event for \$10 - \$15 (cash or check only) through Safe Kids Coalition. (Quantities are limited.)

Tempe has more than 165 miles of dedicated bikeways and is designated a Bicycle Friendly Community by the League of American Bicyclists. For more information, call (480) 350-2775 or visit www.tempe.gov/bikeprogram.